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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

1. Applicant's election without traverse of Group II in Paper No. 18 is acknowledged. However, no action on the merits will be made at this time in light of the following requirement.

2. The informal drawings are not of sufficient quality to permit examination. Accordingly, new drawings are required in reply to this Office action.

Applicant is given a TWO MONTH time period to submit new drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.81. Extensions of time may be obtained under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). Failure to timely submit new drawings will result in **ABANDONMENT** of the application.

3. The lengthy specification has not been checked to the extent necessary to determine the presence of all possible minor errors. Applicant's cooperation is requested in correcting any errors of which applicant may become aware in the specification.

There appear to be numerous grammatical and other errors in the specification. To expedite prosecution, applicant may wish to submit a substitute specification rather than making numerous corrections to the existing specification.


No new matter may be added to either the specification or drawings.

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4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to James Keenan whose telephone number is 703-308-2559.

The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (703) 872-9306.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 703-308-1113.


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